MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): There is no bar.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know the reason why no Ezhava graduate or undergraduate has been appointed till now in that office?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): It cannot be explained just now. Hereafter, if appointments are made their claims will be considered.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether there were applications from graduates and undergraduates belonging to the Ezhava community for the vacancies in the office of the Conservator

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): There might have been. I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know why those applicants were not given any post by the Conservator?

PRESIDENT: The answer of the official member was that there is no information now before the House, whether there were applications; but you are asking a question on the assumption that there were applications.

Establishment of grant-in-aid allopathic dispensaries.

280. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any scheme or report for the establishment of grant-in-aid allopathic dispensaries in rural areas of the State was submitted to them by the Medical Board or by Dr. Raman Tampi; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken thereon?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): (*a*) Yes; by the Administrative Board, Medical Services.

(*b*) The scheme was carefully considered by Government and postponed till financial conditions improve.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from Government when the scheme for the establishment of grant-in-aid allopathic dispensaries for rural areas in the State was submitted to Government?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): It was submitted to Government in February 1931.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know the details of the scheme?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I am afraid, Sir, that it will take a long time to explain the details.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know at least the most important details of the scheme?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Under the scheme formulated, the Government should have dispensaries in certain localities. But on consideration of the cost of the scheme Government considered that it must stand over.

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MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from Government the amount necessary for starting one such dispensary?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): I am afraid, Sir, I have to claim notice. When one considers that the staff has to be paid and the buildings constructed for the housing of the dispensaries and other things the cost must come to a fair amount.

MR. R. SIVARAMAN NAIR (*Tiruvalla II*): May I know how the Government say without ascertaining the cost that the scheme was carefully considered by them and that it had to be postponed till financial conditions improve?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): Government said that in their present financial condition they have no funds to proceed with any such scheme.

Special measures to avoid misappropriations of Government money.

281. *MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have devised any special measures to avoid misappropriations of Government money, as stated at page 17 of the Report of the Public Accounts Committee of 1109; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the nature and particulars of such special measures, with the dates thereof?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) & (*b*) Government considered in detail the proposals submitted by the Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner to minimise chances of misappropriation of Government money by the *Pakuthi* subordinates. But it was strongly felt that, with the existing class of Proverthicars and Accountants, no improvement in that direction will be possible. The only alternative in the opinion of Government is the recruitment to these offices of a better class of men. It is hoped that this object will be achieved when the Public Service Commissioner begins to recruit Proverthicars and Accountants which he will do in the near future.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from Government whether they found misappropriation of Government money in any department other than the Land Revenue?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know from Government whether the head of any other department has submitted to Government proposals for preventing such misappropriation?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, Sir.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know the reason why?

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